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1. Israel and Transjordan may bypass UN Commission--US Charge Stabler in Amman expresses his concern that Israel and Transjordan may conclude a separate peace settlement which will settle the future of Jerusalem without regard for international interests, thereby relegating the UN Palestine Conciliation Commission to a position of insignificance. After pointing out that the Israeli-Transjordanian armistice provides for a special committee to negotiate such a final settlement, Stabler expresses the view that King Abdullah is likely to accede to Israeli pressure to set up such a committee soon and that Abdullah would be inclined to accede "somewhat too rapidly and generously" to Israeli demands. Stabler suggests that the US advise Abdullah at least to await the outcome of the UN Commission's Lausanne Conference before proceeding far with direct negotiations.

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